



Pictured as it appeared recently when clampers dotted the shores and brownish ice delayed only communication between the mainland of Nova Scotia and Cape Breton Island, the Strait of Canso is shown above. A bridge, causeway or tunnel has been advocated for years as a means of providing a continuous trans-continental railway and highway route, to promote freer inter-Provincial trade, bring increased revenue traffic to the C. N. R. and improve economic, industrial and social conditions in the Island where one-third of Canada's coal and one-quarter of Canada's steel is produced. An independent three-man Board of Engincers, consisting of Lt. Col. Douglas S. Ellis, D.S.O., M.C., M.A., B.S.C., D. L. S., O. L. S., M.E.I.C., Dean of Engineering at Queens University, Dr. P. L. Pratley, M. E., Consulting Eng., M.E.I.C., Montreal and Dr. Arthur Surveyor, B.A., B.A.Sc., C. E., D. Eng., Montreal, has been appointed by the Federal Government and the Government of Nova Scotia to recommend improved transportation facilities for the Strait of Canso and is now making investigations necessary to the preparation of their report.

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